



# The Paragon Network

## July 2016 Newsletter

The **Paragon Network** is an elite group of **independent FBOs** that provide a first-class experience to business aviation travelers in North America.



### Are you Paragon Preferred?

Customers with Paragon Preferred status are now receiving more benefits than ever! [Click here](#) to learn more and register!



**Interested in Becoming a Paragon Member FBO?** [Click here](#) to learn more about the benefits of becoming an elite member of the Paragon Network!

### Event Calendar:

[Click here](#) to view the full event calendar!

A screenshot of a calendar interface showing various events scheduled for the month of July. The events are represented by colored bars across the days of the month.

**Canada Day**  
July 1

**Independence Day**  
July 4

**CBAA 2016**  
Calgary, AB  
July 5 - 7

**Animal Rights National Conference**

## Best Summer Destinations in North America



### Providence, RI

**(Use Providence Jet Center - KOQU)**

The nights glow during the summer in the capital of Rhode Island thanks to [Waterfire](#), a series of small bonfires that light up the rivers downtown. The weather is perfect this time of year for a walk through the city or a visit to the gorgeous [beaches](#).



### Portland, OR

**(Use Aero Air - KHIO)**

Portland is known for their top-ranked [farmers' markets](#) bursting with berries, fresh-caught salmon at inventive cafes, microbrews, and plenty of cool summer drinks. The wholesome cuisine will make you want to get active too, whether you're bicycling around Portland or hiking near the [waterfalls](#) outside town.



### Los Angeles, CA

**(Use Clay Lacy Aviation - KVNY)**

With miles of beaches and [Disneyland](#) just down the freeway, the City of Angels offers lots of classic sunny fun. You might just want to go shopping for a new swimsuit and blinged-out flip-flops in one of the top five cities for [luxury shopping](#).



### Minneapolis, MN

**(Use Premier Jet Center - KFCM)**

Summer is the perfect time to visit the amazing and bustling city of Minneapolis. Things get especially festive at the acclaimed [State Fair](#) in August and the celebratory [Target Fireworks](#) in July.

### Seattle, WA

**(Use Clay Lacy Aviation - KBFI)**

You can't beat the beautiful sunny weather throughout the summer in Seattle. It's a great

Los Angeles, CA  
July 7 - 10

**ASI Show Chicago**

Chicago, IL  
July 12 - 14

**ICAST 2016**

Orlando, FL  
July 12 - 15

**Red River Valley Fair**

Fargo, ND  
July 12 - 17

**Seafair Derby Day**

Seattle, WA  
July 16

**D.A.R.E. International  
Training Conference**

Atlanta, GA  
July 19 - 21

**Aquatennial**

Minneapolis, MN  
July 20 - 23

**The DFW Boat Expo**

Dallas, TX  
July 21 - 24

**National Parents' Day**

July 24

**Oregon Brewers Festival**

Portland, OR  
July 27 - 31

**Ink Mania Con Tattoo and  
Art Expo**

Fort Lauderdale, FL  
July 29 - 31

**Alaska Airlines Seafair  
Torchlight Parade**

Seattle, WA  
July 30

**Capacity Caribbean**

San Juan, PR  
July 31 - August 5

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**Our FBO Members:**

Clay Lacy Aviation (BFI)  
Ideal Aviation (CPS)  
Yelvington Jet Aviation (DAB)  
DuPage Flight Center (DPA)  
Henriksen Jet Center (EDC)  
Fargo Jet Center (FAR)  
Premier Jet Center (FCM)  
National Jets (FLL)  
Texas Jet (FTW)  
Hill Aircraft (FTY)  
Odyssey Aviation (GGT)  
Lux Air Jet Centers (GYR)  
Aero Air (HIO)  
Odyssey Aviation (NAS)  
Fontainebleau Aviation (OPF)  
Providence Jet Center (OQU)  
Skyplace FBO (SAT)  
StarPort (SFB)  
Pazos FBO Services (SJU)  
Henriksen Jet Center (TME)  
Clay Lacy Aviation (VNY)  
Flite Line Services (YKF)

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**Safety**

Uncompromising safety is the



time to get outdoors, whether buzzing around seaplanes or hanging out in the great city parks. You can also get a good look at Mount Rainier, which is hidden behind clouds the rest of the year.

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**Featured Member: Ideal Aviation (KCPS)**



Ideal Aviation is located on the West Ramp at St. Louis Downtown Airport (KCPS) less than five miles from Busch Stadium, Scottrade Center, and the Edward Jones Dome. Ideal Aviation is a full service FBO serving to the needs of both private aircraft owners and corporate flight departments. Their state of the art facility is open 24/7/365 for your convenience. Visit [www.AwesomeFBOs.com/KCPS](http://www.AwesomeFBOs.com/KCPS) to learn more about Ideal Aviation and the exceptional service they offer.

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**Fourth of July Safety Tips**



We want you to have a safe and happy 4th of July weekend! Here are a few helpful safety tips to keep you and your family safe during your holiday celebrations:

**Fireworks Safety**

- Never give fireworks to small children.
- Keep a water supply close by.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Store fireworks in a cool dry place.

**Grilling Safety**

- Never grill indoors or in enclosed spaces.
- Keep grill out in the open and away from the house.
- Use long-handled tools specially made for grills.
- Follow manufacturers instructions when grilling.

**Sun Protection**

- Watch for signs of heat stroke and dehydration.
- Limit exposure between 10am and 4pm.

most important ingredient in aviation today. Each one of our members are NATA Safety First Certified or has completed an equivalent program.

#### Service

Award winning service is undeniable in the Paragon Network. Each member has been rated among the top best FBOs in North America.

#### Reliability

This group of FBOs are the most consistent and dependable operators in North America.

#### Value

Our network of PAG locations guarantee a quality facility and outstanding service at a competitive price.

#### Quality

The PAG can guarantee a first-class operation through comprehensive audits and core standards that each FBO is required to meet before joining the group.

- Wear a broad spectrum sunscreen (at least 15 SPF).
- Avoid drinks with alcohol and/or caffeine.

### Fun 4th of July Facts

- Americans will eat around 150 million hot dogs.
- Americans will also purchase 700 million lbs of chicken.
- 4th of July became a Nationally celebrated holiday in 1941.
- 2.5 million people lived in the US on July 4th, 1776 when the declaration of independence was signed.
- 319 million people live in the US today!



## PARAGON NETWORK CUSTOMER REVIEWS



#### From Eric Opiela on Texas Jet (KFTW)

Texas Jet is, in a word, \*awesome\*. It was 98 degrees outside, and as I got back with my passengers from a luncheon we spoke at, I looked over at my plane as I walked from the car to the front door and I noticed an air conditioner hooked up to the door running a full tilt. I didn't ask for it, they thought of it, and took the initiative to do it so my passengers and I would be comfortable on an extremely hot and humid day. They offered a cart start as well so my engine would be cool as well when starting. The marshaller also patiently waited in the hot sun as I entered a lengthy clearance in. I cannot say enough how much Texas Jet goes above and beyond in service—while providing the best fuel price at Meacham. Best...FBO...Ever!



#### From Julius Alexander on Hill Aircraft (KFTY)

Neal Ricks is an outstanding lineman and a tremendous asset to Hill Aircraft because he is always very courteous and kind to customers. As a Hill customer for more than 20 years, I commend Neal for his dedication and service and for the many times he has assisted me and my ACE organization with our fleet of four airplanes. He and the other members of the line crew is one of the reasons Hill has my vote for # 1 FBO.



#### From Raul Girardi on Fontainebleau Aviation (KOPF)

Fabulous facility. Extremely clean and professional. I loved the service and people. Will definitely come through here again!



#### From Terry Power on Odyssey Aviation Exuma (MYEF)

Thank you to your teams in Exuma and San Salvador last week for all your assistance! You've got great service as always.



#### From Stuart Boblett on Lux Air Jet Centers (KGYR)

All I can say is wow, great service by the whole staff during our brief stay at GYR. They are very pilot and passenger oriented and attended to every need in our CJ3. I recommend them highly.



#### From Alan Bass on Pazo's FBO Services (TJSJ)

Once again we are back at Pazo's, TJSJ. Alexana is amazing. She made sure transportation was provided for each and every time we needed it. She calls me to be sure nothing is forgotten. She is a huge asset to Pazo's.



#### From Jay Ledvina on Texas Jet (KFTW)

It is clear why these folks remain Top 10 year after year. Great service!!! We were greeted by line staff, offered water, there were plenty of snacks available inside. They had hangar space for us during some nasty weather and even gave me a call to let me know of a second day of severe wx so I could authorize putting it back in. Hertz totally dropped the ball on our rental car (don't use them at FTW!) but the GO Rental guy matched their rate and had us going in no time. When visiting Dallas/Fort Worth, this is the airport and Texas Jet is the FBO to use. I can't say

enough good things about how well they handled us - and we are just a single engine! Awesome job, guys!!!!

★★★★★

**From Luis Fuenmayor on Pazo's FBO Services (TJSJ)**

Feels pretty much like arriving at home when being marshalled in and greeted by the always courteous and friendly customer service rep's... And if that was not enough, even the owner comes around to greet and make sure that everything you need is taken care of... I cannot even imagine how things are going to change for the very best when inauguration time comes for the new state of the art facility, coming to us in August... Looking forward to yet another arrival at Pazo's Fuel Services @ SJU!!!

★★★★★

**From Tim Wolf on Texas Jet (KFTW)**

I've been using Texas Jet for years. They have always given the absolute best service without any hassles. No pressure to buy anything, no junk fees, really nice people that do a really great job.

★★★★★

**From Ivan Ocasio on Pazo's FBO Services (TJSJ)**

I am Pilot for Air Ambulance and I have to say excellent service and can't wait for the new Pazo's FBO Facilities coming soon!!!! Truly recommend this FBO and excellent customer care.

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